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MONTHLY COMPLETION REPORT FOR U.S. OIL, GAS, AND DRY WELLS

As a result of a time lag between the time a well is completed and the time its completion is reported, the published numbers do not reflect the total number of wells actually completed. Consequently, the data is preliminary and subject to revision. The chart shown below illustrates the cumulative number of well completions reported for the current month and each of the eleven prior months (Table I). For comparison purposes, the same period reported one year ago is also included.

The number of wells shown in the chart excludes stratigraphic and core tests as well as service wells. The geographic distribution for well completions and footage drilled is available on a quarterly basis, in the API publication entitled the "Quarterly Completion Report".

Total Wells Completed

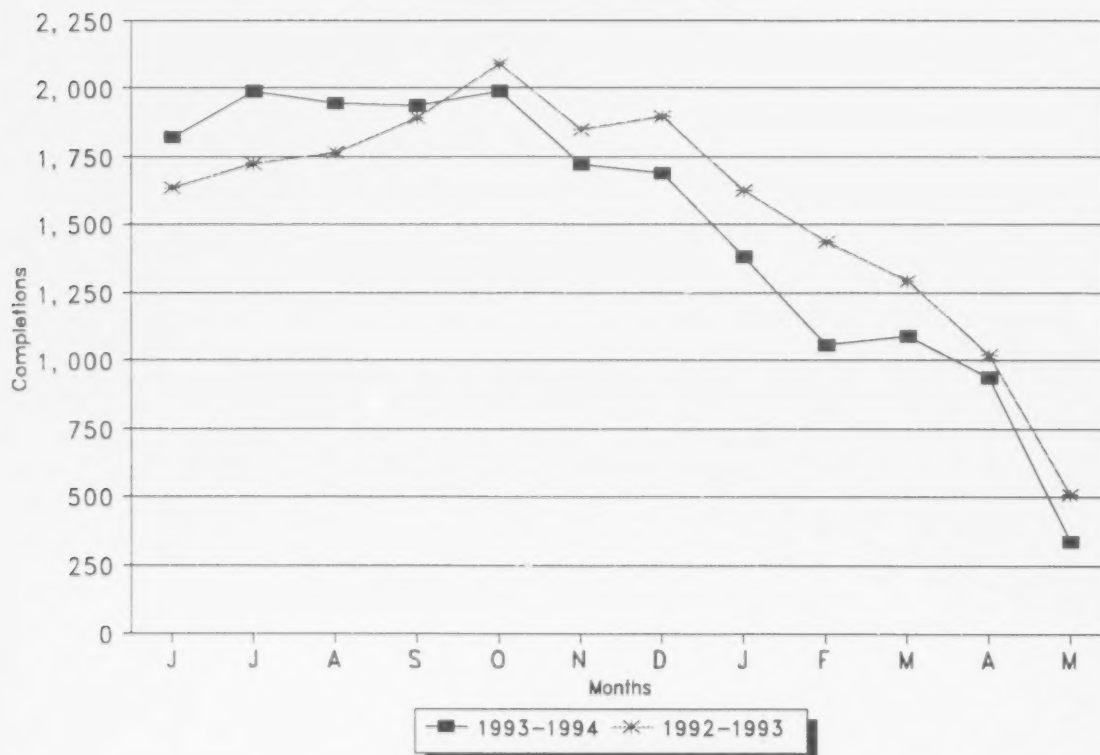


**TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES
BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF MAY 1994(1)**

	OIL WELLS(2)		GAS WELLS(3)		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS(4)	
	<u>Wells</u>	<u>Footage</u>	<u>Wells</u>	<u>Footage</u>	<u>Wells</u>	<u>Footage</u>	<u>Wells</u>	<u>Footage</u>	<u>Wells</u>	<u>Footage</u>
TOTAL 1994	1,719	10,480,351	1,685	12,130,829	1,399	6,356,600	4,803	30,967,780	4,878	31,241,523
1994: MAY	67	465,534	108	609,908	162	934,374	337	2,009,816	338	2,014,249
APR	313	1,745,235	350	2,625,655	276	1,544,184	939	5,915,074	945	5,939,190
MAR	377	2,517,487	398	2,911,260	313	1,906,459	1,088	7,335,206	1,106	7,396,111
FEB	406	2,530,329	377	2,729,503	276	1,630,460	1,059	6,890,292	1,083	6,984,910
JAN	556	3,221,766	452	3,254,503	372	2,341,123	1,380	8,817,392	1,406	8,907,063
TOTAL 1993	8,126	43,391,147	8,360	52,312,408	6,322	33,000,663	22,808	128,704,218	23,491	131,046,047
1993: DEC	654	3,654,259	561	3,666,803	473	2,713,628	1,688	10,034,690	1,721	10,151,160
NOV	669	3,880,109	581	3,838,491	471	2,576,932	1,721	10,295,532	1,772	10,459,591
OCT	746	4,043,035	723	4,542,366	518	2,658,162	1,987	11,243,563	2,042	11,429,715
SEP	709	3,752,386	638	3,909,168	589	3,065,002	1,936	10,726,556	2,029	11,057,974
AUG	743	3,529,501	639	3,982,717	563	2,933,004	1,945	10,445,222	2,022	10,696,923
JUL	712	3,973,585	560	3,522,382	718	3,397,834	1,990	10,893,801	2,036	11,112,561
JUN	647	3,653,770	619	3,730,319	553	2,786,326	1,819	10,170,415	1,878	10,384,289
MAY	647	3,217,086	636	4,103,999	573	2,953,216	1,856	10,274,301	1,910	10,442,277
APR	635	3,409,413	640	4,619,708	537	2,805,937	1,812	10,835,058	1,872	11,012,444
MAR	664	3,317,292	880	5,590,591	406	2,224,423	1,950	11,132,306	2,014	11,325,463
FEB	616	3,260,190	937	5,401,379	481	2,602,823	2,034	11,264,392	2,078	11,415,002
JAN	684	3,700,521	946	5,404,485	440	2,283,376	2,070	11,388,382	2,117	11,557,648
TOTAL 1992	8,756	44,648,124	7,661	43,424,114	6,325	32,207,604	22,742	120,279,842	23,731	122,583,830
1992: DEC	808	4,157,718	945	5,194,012	459	2,468,633	2,212	11,820,363	2,327	12,059,224
NOV	736	3,808,332	886	5,176,317	484	2,498,896	2,106	11,483,545	2,166	11,665,903
OCT	815	3,832,951	911	5,144,370	572	2,926,749	2,298	11,904,070	2,384	12,094,363
SEP	799	4,009,521	644	3,702,635	567	2,986,984	2,010	10,699,140	2,081	10,856,318
AUG	669	3,338,469	602	3,449,229	594	2,903,678	1,865	9,691,376	1,922	9,798,908
JUL	724	3,708,829	545	3,027,440	560	2,685,422	1,829	9,421,691	1,886	9,538,887
JUN	679	3,523,304	506	2,927,611	506	2,502,795	1,691	8,953,710	1,739	9,091,079
MAY	687	3,621,003	463	2,794,472	611	2,933,524	1,761	9,348,999	1,828	9,547,799
APR	692	3,450,752	433	2,671,981	529	2,701,122	1,654	8,823,855	1,783	9,145,834
MAR	747	3,900,869	520	2,925,440	509	2,671,011	1,776	9,497,320	1,882	9,668,924
FEB	622	3,234,239	583	3,009,547	427	2,277,103	1,632	8,520,889	1,737	8,782,832
JAN	778	4,062,137	623	3,401,060	507	2,651,687	1,908	10,114,884	1,996	10,333,758
TOTAL 1991	11,782	54,391,858	9,181	48,304,504	7,704	39,618,706	28,667	142,315,068	29,857	145,283,941
TOTAL 1990	12,112	54,261,934	10,561	54,142,624	8,489	43,624,374	31,162	152,028,932	32,014	154,344,224

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**TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED
BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF MAY 1994(1)**

	OIL WELLS(2)		GAS WELLS(3)		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	<u>Wells</u>	<u>Footage</u>	<u>Wells</u>	<u>Footage</u>	<u>Wells</u>	<u>Footage</u>	<u>Wells</u>	<u>Footage</u>
TOTAL 1994	133	755,685	163	1,100,310	568	3,631,454	864	5,487,449
1994: MAY	5	21,514	11	84,560	80	472,225	96	578,299
APR	38	222,396	35	249,386	103	634,239	176	1,106,021
MAR	23	128,329	49	264,665	123	776,385	195	1,169,379
FEB	21	132,518	31	232,109	104	656,542	156	1,021,169
JAN	46	250,928	37	269,590	158	1,092,063	241	1,612,581
TOTAL 1993	457	2,872,369	428	2,562,674	2,382	13,540,013	3,267	18,975,056
1993: DEC	36	245,249	25	171,324	185	1,126,857	246	1,543,430
NOV	32	205,279	38	236,747	185	1,077,953	255	1,519,979
OCT	41	264,952	45	271,390	194	1,039,710	280	1,576,052
SEP	35	204,298	31	200,403	220	1,246,819	286	1,651,520
AUG	26	144,195	40	226,910	234	1,327,207	300	1,698,312
JUL	38	242,008	28	136,505	257	1,358,135	323	1,736,648
JUN	45	245,058	33	194,045	220	1,196,052	298	1,635,155
MAY	42	244,685	42	277,604	170	923,595	254	1,445,884
APR	51	316,778	29	192,659	211	1,254,245	291	1,763,682
MAR	30	206,297	31	182,696	177	1,099,267	238	1,488,260
FEB	33	220,288	48	259,494	170	1,013,267	251	1,493,049
JAN	48	333,282	38	212,897	159	876,906	245	1,423,085
TOTAL 1992	501	3,229,182	390	2,352,888	2,600	13,874,705	3,491	19,456,775
1992: DEC	28	174,874	34	171,344	168	963,150	230	1,309,368
NOV	38	244,362	41	234,080	166	951,252	245	1,429,694
OCT	46	295,238	36	229,258	215	1,116,618	297	1,641,114
SEP	39	258,215	23	119,618	229	1,224,058	291	1,601,891
AUG	45	290,506	35	182,828	250	1,260,405	330	1,733,739
JUL	51	303,493	35	213,366	270	1,383,489	356	1,900,348
JUN	47	318,550	36	237,582	211	1,154,039	294	1,710,171
MAY	40	277,594	26	149,194	250	1,201,778	316	1,628,566
APR	45	266,780	26	131,191	247	1,348,658	318	1,746,629
MAR	35	194,055	30	220,951	207	1,110,761	272	1,525,767
FEB	40	269,005	33	231,920	169	896,638	242	1,397,563
JAN	47	336,510	35	231,556	218	1,263,859	300	1,831,925
TOTAL 1991	577	3,592,120	523	3,411,415	3,318	18,805,079	4,418	25,808,614
TOTAL 1990	646	4,289,499	662	4,454,941	3,807	21,411,047	5,115	30,155,487

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TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS(1) BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING MAY 1994

	OIL WELLS(2)		GAS WELLS(3)		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS(4)	
	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage	Wells	Footage
TOTAL 1994	384	2,268,772	514	3,464,567	323	1,850,306	1,221	7,583,645	1,232	7,625,940
1994: MAY	67	465,534	108	609,908	162	934,374	337	2,009,816	338	2,014,249
APR	199	1,163,725	238	1,886,714	114	641,887	551	3,692,326	556	3,708,917
MAR	66	386,463	102	661,492	27	143,755	195	1,191,710	197	1,196,641
FEB	26	150,232	41	207,904	14	55,775	81	413,911	83	425,451
JAN	26	102,818	25	98,549	6	74,515	57	275,882	58	280,682
TOTAL 1993	77	321,955	90	419,980	57	256,099	224	998,034	227	1,001,300
1993: DEC	17	92,547	16	77,887	7	29,088	40	199,522	40	199,522
NOV	12	34,799	17	88,420	15	58,823	44	182,042	44	182,042
OCT	16	74,963	14	60,152	7	29,978	37	165,093	38	166,483
SEP	12	50,155	7	27,036	4	13,808	23	90,999	23	90,999
AUG	2	18,464	3	14,502	6	24,257	11	57,223	12	58,929
JUL	5	12,350	13	74,589	5	30,386	23	117,325	23	117,325
JUN	6	21,662	4	17,459	5	24,306	15	63,427	16	63,597
MAY	2	6,478	4	17,501	2	15,850	8	39,829	8	39,829
APR	3	7,212	0	0	1	5,559	4	12,771	4	12,771
MAR	0	0	4	17,436	1	9,000	5	26,436	5	26,436
FEB	0	0	6	23,765	2	3,729	8	27,494	8	27,494
JAN	2	3,325	2	1,233	2	11,315	6	15,873	6	15,873
TOTAL 1992	8	28,369	10	41,602	6	28,991	24	98,962	25	99,743
1992: DEC	1	3,050	4	16,045	2	12,799	7	31,894	7	31,894
NOV	0	0	1	8,060	0	0	1	8,060	1	8,060
OCT	1	8,090	1	42	0	0	2	8,132	2	8,132
SEP	0	0	1	8,880	1	1,780	2	10,660	3	11,441
AUG	0	0	1	2,700	1	10,034	2	12,734	2	12,734
JUL	2	1,322	1	2,700	1	3,860	4	7,882	4	7,882
JUN	1	3,390	0	0	0	0	1	3,390	1	3,390
MAY	1	901	0	0	0	0	1	901	1	901
APR	1	555	0	0	0	0	1	555	1	555
MAR	1	11,061	0	0	1	518	2	11,579	2	11,579
FEB	0	0	1	3,175	0	0	1	3,175	1	3,175
JAN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL 1991	0	0	5	11,329	1	2,749	6	14,078	6	14,078
YRS PRIOR TO 1991	29	78,912	0	0	12	41,120	41	120,032	46	145,808
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED(5)	498	2,698,008	619	3,937,478	399	2,179,265	1,516	8,814,751	1,536	8,886,869

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TABLE I AND TABLE II:

1. The cumulative number of wells reported in this table is the total number of wells included in the API database for each of the months and years shown, as of May 28, 1994. These data are preliminary and subject to further revisions.
2. Includes multiple completion wells which produce oil from at least one zone, but may produce gas from one or more zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well.
3. Includes multiple completion wells which produce gas from all zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well. Gas wells also include so-called condensate wells.
4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. (Not applicable to Table II).

TABLE III:

1. Total number of wells received by the API during the report month and classified by completion month and year. These wells are included in Tables I and II.
2. See footnote (2) above.
3. See footnote (3) above.
4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells.
5. Total wells reported are those received by the API for the report period May 1, 1994 through May 28, 1994. The subtotals shown for each yearly period may not add to the total wells reported for the period. Some wells, received during the report period, may have been completed in years prior to those shown in Table III.